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Docket No. 14431.16

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Application Number  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of inventor:

Maria Villani

For: Porifera-Based Therapeutic Compositions for Treating and Preventing Skin Diseases

1. **Type of Application**

This new application is for a(n)

- ☐ Original (non provisional)  
☐ Design  
☐ Plant  
☒ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

2. **Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s)** (35 USC §§ 119(e), 120, or 121)

- ☒ The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. applications. Enclosed is a NEW APPLICATION WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION(S) IS CLAIMED.

3. **Papers Enclosed**

A.

<u>45</u>	pages of specification
<u>3</u>	pages of claims
<u>3</u>	sheets of drawings (do not submit original drawings)

(complete the following, if applicable)

- ☐ The enclosed drawing(s) are photograph(s), and there is also attached a "PETITION TO ACCEPT PHOTOGRAPH(S) AS DRAWING(S)." 37 CFR 1.84(b).

B. **Other Papers Enclosed**

<u>2</u>	Pages of declaration and power of attorney
<u>1</u>	Pages of abstract
<u>      </u>	Other – Power of Attorney by Assignee

4. **Declaration or oath (including power of attorney)**

- ☒ Enclosed  
☐ Executed by inventor(s)

5. **Inventorship Statement**

Inventorship for all the claims in this application are:

- ☒ The same.

6. **Assignment**

- ☐ An assignment of the invention to \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ is attached.  
☐ was filed in parent application  
☐ will follow.

7. **Fee Calculation**

- A. ☒ Regular application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Number filed	Number Extra	Rate		Basic Fee 37 CFR § 1.16(a)/	
		Large Entity	Small Entity	Large Entity \$750.00	Small Entity \$375.00
Total Claims (37 CFR § 1.16(c))	21 - 20 = 1	x \$18.00=	x \$9.00 =	9.00	
Independent Claims (37 CFR § 1.16(b))	3 - 3 = 0	x \$84.00=	x \$42.00 =		
Multiple dependent claims(s), if any (37 CFR § 1.16(d))		+ \$280.00=		140.00	

- ☐ An amendment canceling extra claims is enclosed.  
☐ An amendment deleting multiple-dependencies is enclosed.  
☐ The fee for extra claims is not being paid at this time

Filing Fee Calculation

- B. ☐ Design application (\$330-37 CFR§1.16(f)) \$ 524.00  
C. ☐ Plant application (\$540-37 CFR§1.16(g)) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Small Entity Statement(s)**

- ☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

9. **Fee Payment Being Made at Time**

- ☐ Not Enclosed  
☐ No filing fee is to be paid at this time.  
☐ Enclosed  
☐ Filing Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

10. **Method of Payment of Fees**

- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed.  
☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 50-1329 in the amount of \$524.00.  
A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

11. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 USC §122 (b)(2)(B)(i) (Non-publication Request)

12. **Authorization to Charge Additional Fees**

*(If no fees are to be paid on filing, the following items should not be completed)*

- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 50-1329.
- ☒ 37 CFR §§1.16(a), (f), or (g) (Filing fees)
- ☒ 37 CFR §§1.16(b), (c), and (d) (presentation of extra claims)
- ☒ 37 CFR §§1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)
- ☒ 37 CFR §§1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to §1.136(a))
- ☒ 37 CFR §§1.17 (application processing fees)
- ☐ 37 CFR §§1.18 (issue fee at or before mailing of Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR §1.1311(b))

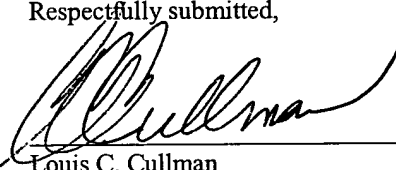
13. **Instructions as to Overpayment**

- ☒ Credit Account No. 50-1329
- ☐ Refund

14. **Correspondence Address**

- ☒ Customer Number. 31278

Respectfully submitted,



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